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I think the proposed settlement is a bad idea. It seems incredibly weak for the damage that has been done. Worse, it doesn't seem to fix anything. How clear do the technical arguments need to be? Apparently they don't matter. I'm disillusioned but the whole process, and I'm guessing it's not too hard for my students to pick it up. Is the Microsoft monopoly so powerful that they cannot be checked?

It seems to me, that with the proposed settlement, Microsoft emerges with pretty much the same powers and I'm guessing will continue the same business practices that have characterized the company all along.

Count one vote against the Proposed Settlement.. Like I tell my students: "You can do better than this!"

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